In the Claims:

Please cancel Claims 25-37 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter recited therein and please amend Claims 1-11, 13-22, 24, and 38-45 as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) An image processing apparatus for generating image data of a document by processing document data representing the document and described in a predetermined structured description language, comprising:

analysis means for analyzing said the document data and recognizing font size information contained in the document data, which is the font size information being information on the font size applied to a character or a character train contained in the document represented by contained in said the document data, and for recognizing the character or the character train contained in the document represented by the document data to which the font size information is applied;

instruction input means for entering information relating to a standard font size at the output of an image indicated by said document data by allotment to a to be used for formatting the document data for printing on at least one physical page; and

drawing means for executing a drawing process in such a manner that a data representing the character or a the character train recognized by said analysis means is outputted for printing on the at least one physical page outputted with a at the standard font size entered by said instruction input means instead of the font size represented by the font size information contained in the document data.

2. (Currently Amended) An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein:

said analysis means calculates a magnification change rate utilizing the font size information contained in ~~said~~ the document data, and information relating to ~~indicating~~ the standard font size entered by said instruction input means; and

said drawing means executes ~~a~~ the drawing process by changing the magnification of ~~a~~ the character or ~~a~~ the character train, to which said font size information is applied, by ~~said~~ the magnification change rate so as to output for printing on the at least one physical page data representing ~~achieve output~~ the character or the character train ~~with said~~ at the standard font size.

3. (Currently Amended) An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein:

~~said~~ the document data include information for designating a specified font size ~~to~~ for a specified character, or a specified character train recognizable ~~recognized~~ by said analysis means; and

said drawing means executes the drawing process ~~in~~ such ~~a manner~~ that a data representing the specified character or ~~a~~ the specified character train, ~~to~~ for which ~~said~~ the specified font size is designated ~~applied~~, is outputted for printing on the at least one physical page ~~with~~ at the standard font size entered by said instruction input means regardless of the information ~~instructing~~ designating the specified font size.

4. (Currently Amended) An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein:

~~said~~ the standard font size is designatable by the document data ~~are capable of designating the standard size font in said document data;~~

said analysis means calculates ~~the~~ a magnification change rate utilizing a base font size

and the standard font size entered by said instruction input means; and

said drawing means executes the drawing process ~~is executed~~ by applying ~~said~~ the

magnification change rate to the entire character information contained in ~~said~~ the document data

in such a manner that data representing a character or a character train, to which ~~said~~ the base

font size is applied, is outputted for printing on the at least one physical page at ~~with~~ the standard

font size entered by said instruction input means.

5. (Currently Amended) An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein:

said analysis means recognizes ~~a~~ the most frequent font size occurring in ~~said~~ the

document data ~~information~~; and

said drawing means executes ~~a~~ the drawing process ~~in~~ such ~~a manner~~ that data

representing a character or a character train, to which ~~said~~ the most frequent font size recognized

by said analysis means is applied, is outputted for printing on the at least one physical page at

~~with~~ the standard font size entered by said instruction input means.

6. (Currently Amended) An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein:

said analysis means recognizes a minimum font size in ~~said~~ the document data; and

said drawing means executes ~~a~~ the drawing process ~~in~~ such ~~a manner~~ that data

representing character information ~~in layout~~ formatted for printing on the at least one physical

page is outputted for printing on the at least one physical page at ~~with~~ a font size at least equal to

the standard font size entered by said instruction input means when said analysis means recognizes the minimum font size.

7. (Currently Amended) An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein:

~~said~~ the document data includes at least ~~an~~ object data representing an image or a table and ~~character information~~ the character or the character train;

said analysis means detects the size of an image represented by ~~said~~ the object data; and

said drawing means executes a drawing process ~~in~~ such ~~a manner~~ that data representing ~~an object held by an~~ the image or a the table ~~represented by said object data~~ formatted to fit and be printed on the at least one ~~can be accommodated in a~~ physical page is outputted after said analysis means detects the size of the image and that ~~a~~ data representing the character or ~~a~~ the character train contained in the ~~indicated by said character information contained in said~~ document data is outputting for printing on the at least one physical page ~~outputted with a~~ at the standard font size entered by said instruction input means.

8. (Currently Amended) An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein:

~~said~~ the document data includes at least ~~an~~ object data representing an image or a table and ~~character information~~ the character or the character train;

said analysis means detects the size of ~~an~~ the image represented by the ~~said~~ object data; and

said drawing means executes ~~a~~ the drawing process ~~in~~ such ~~a manner~~ that the image, when printed on the at least one physical page, ~~represented by said object data~~ is subjected to a

magnification change according to the width of the least one a physical page on which the image is to be printed and that a data representing the character or a the character train indicated by the character information contained in the said document data is outputted for printing on the at least one physical page with a at the standard font size entered by said instruction input means.

9. (Currently Amended) An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said apparatus communicates with an arbitrary server apparatus for receiving and processing the said document data.

10. (Currently Amended) An apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising selection means for selecting a layout method of formatting the document data to be printed on the at least one physical page according to the an instruction of the user, wherein the a calculation method for calculating said a magnification change rate changing the magnification of the character or the character train is determined according to the result of the selection by said selection means.

11. (Currently Amended) An apparatus according to claim 1, further comprising a printing unit configured to print the document in accordance with the drawing process executed for outputting image data generated by said drawing means.

12. (Original) An apparatus according to claim 1, wherein said apparatus is a printer.

13. (Currently Amended) An image processing method for generating image data of a document by processing document data, representing the document, described in a predetermined structured description language, comprising:

an analysis step of analyzing said the document data and recognizing font size information contained in the document data, the font size information being information on the font size applied to a character or a character train contained in the document represented by the document data, and for recognizing the character or the character train in the document data to which the font size information is applied character information contained in said document data;

an instruction input step of entering information relating to a standard font size to be used for formatting the document data for printing on at least one at the output of an image indicated by said document data by allotment to a physical page; and

a drawing step of executing a drawing process in such a manner that a data representing the character or a the character train recognized by said analysis step is outputted for printing at with a the standard font size entered by said instruction input step, instead of the font size represented by the font size information contained in the document data.

14. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 13, wherein:

said analysis step calculates a magnification change rate utilizing the font size information indicated by specified character information contained in said the document data, and information relating to the standard font size entered by said instruction input step; and

said drawing step executes a drawing process in such a manner that data representing a character or a character train, indicated by said the specified character information is outputted

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~~for printing on the at least one physical sheet at~~ with a font size changed ~~with~~ by the ~~said~~

magnification change rate calculated in said analysis step.

15. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 13, wherein:

~~said~~ the document data include information for designating a specified font size ~~to~~ for a

specified character or a specified character train recognized by said analysis step; and

said drawing step executes ~~a~~ the drawing process ~~in~~ such ~~a manner~~ that ~~a~~ data

representing the character or ~~a~~ the character train, ~~to~~ for which ~~said~~ the specified font size is

designated ~~applied~~, is outputted for printing on the at least one physical page at ~~with~~ the standard

font size entered by said instruction input step regardless of the information designating

~~instructing~~ the specified font size.

16. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 13, wherein:

~~said~~ the standard font size is designatable by the document data ~~are capable of designating~~

~~the standard-size font in said document data~~;

said analysis step calculates ~~the~~ a magnification change rate utilizing a base font size and

the standard font size entered by said instruction input step; and

said drawing step is executed by applying ~~said~~ the magnification change rate to the entire

character information contained in ~~said~~ the document data ~~in~~ such ~~a manner~~ that data

representing a character or a character train, to which ~~said~~ the base font size is applied, is

outputted for printing on the at least one physical page at ~~with~~ the standard font size entered by

said instruction input step.

17. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 13, wherein:

said analysis step recognizes a minimum font size in ~~said~~ the document data; and

said drawing step executes ~~a~~ the drawing process ~~in~~ such ~~a manner~~ that data representing character information formatted for printing ~~in layout~~ on the at least one physical page is outputted for printing on the at least one physical page at ~~with~~ a font size at least equal to the standard font size entered by said instruction input step when said analysis step recognizes the minimum font size.

18. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 13, wherein:

~~said~~ the document data includes at least ~~an~~ object data representing an image or a table and the character or the character train ~~and character information~~;

said analysis step detects the size of ~~an~~ the image represented by ~~said~~ the object data; and

said drawing step executes ~~a~~ the drawing process ~~in~~ such ~~a manner~~ that ~~said object held by an~~ data representing the image or ~~a~~ the table ~~represented by said object data~~ formatted to fit and be printed on the least one ~~can be accommodated in a~~ physical page is outputted after said analysis step detects the size of the image, and that ~~a~~ data representing the character or ~~a~~ the character train ~~indicated by said character information~~ contained in ~~said~~ the document data is outputted for printing on the at least one physical page at ~~with a~~ the standard font size entered by said instruction input step.

19. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 13, wherein:

~~said~~ the document data includes at least ~~an~~ object data representing an image or a table and the character or the character train ~~information~~;

said analysis step detects the size of an image represented by ~~said~~ the object data; and

said drawing step executes a drawing process ~~in~~ such ~~a manner~~ that the image, when printed on the at least one physical page, ~~represented by said object data~~ is subjected to a magnification change according to the width of ~~a~~ the at least one physical page on which the image is to be printed and that ~~a~~ data representing the character or ~~a~~ the character train ~~indicated by said character information~~ contained in ~~said~~ the document data is outputted for printing on the at least one physical page at ~~with a~~ the standard font size entered by said instruction input step.

20. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 13, further comprising an acquisition step of communicating with an arbitrary server apparatus for receiving and processing ~~said~~ the document data.

21. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 13, further comprising a selection step of selecting a ~~layout~~ method of formatting the document data to be printed on the physical page according to ~~the~~ an instruction of the user, wherein ~~the~~ a calculation method for calculating a ~~said~~ magnification change rate changing the magnification of the character or character train is determined according to the result of the selection by said selection step.

22. (Currently Amended) A method according to claim 13, further comprising a printing step of printing the document in accordance with the drawing process executed in ~~outputting~~ ~~image data generated by~~ said drawing step.

23. (Original) A method according to claim 13, wherein said method is used in a printer.

24. (Currently Amended) A computer readable memory medium storing a program for causing a computer to execute an image processing method for generating image data of a document by processing document data representing the document and described in a predetermined structured description language, the method comprising:

an analysis step of analyzing ~~said~~ the document data and recognizing font size information contained in the document data, the font size information being information on the font size applied to a character or a character train contained in the document represented by the document data, and recognizing the character or the character train in the document represented by the document data to which the font size information is applied ~~character information~~ ~~contained in said document data~~;

an instruction input step of entering information relating to a standard font size to be used for formatting the document data for printing on at least one ~~at the output of an image indicated~~ ~~by said document data by allotment to~~ a physical page; and

a drawing step of executing a drawing process ~~in~~ such ~~a manner~~ that data representing ~~a~~ the character or ~~a~~ the character train recognized by said analysis step is outputted for printing at

with a the standard font size entered by said instruction input step, instead of the font size

represented by the font size information contained in the document data.

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38. (Currently Amended) An image processing method according to claim 19, further

comprising a wherein said format process step for executes layout by scaling each character in

the document information to a base character size when data representing the document is

outputted for printing on the at least one physical page in said drawing step for allotment to the

physical page, based on a font size designated in said print set information and a the standard

font size inputted designated by said instruction input step resource.

39. (Currently Amended) A computer readable memory medium storing a program for

causing a computer to execute an image processing method for processing document data

information representing a document and described by a predetermined structured description

language and executing a drawing process by communicating with an arbitrary server apparatus,

the method comprising:

an instruction input step of entering print set information related to a standard font size to

be used in formatting the document for drawing on at least one referred to in allotting an image

indicated by said document information to a physical page or executing a printing process for

drawing the document on the at least one physical page using the standard font size;

a transmission step of transmitting a reference print instruction including the print set information entered by said instruction input step to a designated server apparatus;

an acquisition step of acquiring, from ~~said~~ the designated server apparatus, the document data, which are acquired from an acquisition source indicated by the reference print instruction and processed by ~~said~~ the designated server apparatus, the acquired document data containing information on a font size of a character in the document represented by the document data; and

a drawing step of drawing the document represented by ~~an image indicated by~~ the document data acquired by said acquisition step from ~~said~~ the designated server apparatus at the standard font size entered by said instruction input step, instead of the font size represented by the font size information contained in the document data .

40. (Currently Amended) A computer readable memory medium storing a program for causing a computer to execute an image processing method in a server apparatus provided with storage means for storing document data representing a document and ~~information~~ described by a predetermined structured description language and adapted for controlling the transmission of the document data ~~information~~ described by ~~a~~ the predetermined structured description language by communicating with an arbitrary image processing apparatus, the method comprising:

an acquisition step of acquiring a resource required for formatting the document; ~~logic layout;~~

a detection step of analyzing a reference print instruction acquired from any image processing apparatus and detecting print set information;

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a format process step of ~~formatting~~ allotting the document ~~data~~ information searched stored in the ~~from said~~ storage means for printing on at least one ~~to a~~ physical page at a predetermined font size based on the print set information detected by said detection step and the resource acquired by said acquisition step regardless of information for designating a font size contained in the stored document data described by the predetermined structured description language or by the resource; and

a transmission step of transmitting the document ~~data~~ information, subjected to ~~formatting~~ layout by said format process step, to any image processing apparatus requesting the reference print instruction.

41. (Currently Amended) An image processing apparatus for generating image data of a structured document by processing document data, representing the structured document, described by a predetermined structured description language, comprising:

analysis means for analyzing ~~said~~ the document data and recognizing character information representing a character or a character train contained in the ~~said~~ document data; and

drawing means for executing a drawing process ~~in~~ such ~~a manner~~ that ~~a~~ data representing the character or a the character train ~~indicated by the character information~~ recognized by said analysis means is outputted for printing on at least one physical page at ~~with~~ a predetermined font size regardless of information for designating a font size, set for ~~said~~ the character information in ~~said~~ the document data representing the structured document.

42. (Currently Amended) An apparatus according to claim 41, wherein:

~~said~~ the predetermined font size is entered by instruction input means of ~~the~~ said image processing apparatus;

the document data include information for designating a font size for a specific character or a specific character train recognized by said analysis means,

said analysis means calculates a magnification change rate based on the font size of ~~a~~ the specified character or ~~a~~ the specified character train and ~~a~~ the predetermined font size; and

said drawing means executes ~~a~~ the drawing process by changing the magnification of ~~said~~ the specified character or the specified character train with ~~said~~ the magnification change rate, ~~in~~ such ~~a manner~~ that ~~said~~ data representing the specified character or character train is outputted for printing on the at least one physical page at ~~with said~~ the predetermined font size, regardless of the information ~~information~~ for designating the font size, set for ~~said~~ the character information in ~~said~~ the document data representing the structured document.

43. (Currently Amended) An apparatus according to claim 41, wherein:

~~said~~ the document data include at least ~~an~~ object data representing an image;

the document data include information for designating a font size for a specific character or a specific character train recognized by said analysis means,

~~said~~ data representing the specified character or character train is outputted for printing on the at least one physical page at ~~with said~~ the predetermined font size; and

~~an~~ the image represented ~~indicated~~ by the object data included in ~~said~~ the document data

is subjected to a change in the magnification according to the ~~sheet~~ page size of the at least one

physical page on which the image represented by the ~~for outputting said~~ object will be printed.

44. (Currently Amended) An apparatus according to claim 41, wherein ~~the~~ information

designating ~~said~~ the font size and set for ~~said~~ a character in ~~said~~ the structured document is

described by tag information designating the font size in HTML or XML.

45. (Currently Amended) An image processing method for generating image data of a

structured document by processing document data, representing the structured document,

described by a predetermined structured description language, comprising:

an analysis step of analyzing ~~said~~ the document data and recognizing character

information including a character or a character train contained in ~~said~~ the document data; and

a drawing step of executing a drawing process ~~in~~ such ~~a manner~~ that data representing a

the character or ~~a~~ the character train ~~indicated by the character information~~ recognized by said

analysis step is outputted for printing on at least one physical page at ~~with~~ a predetermined font

size regardless of information for designating a font size, set for ~~said~~ the character information in

the document data representing ~~in said~~ the structured document.